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HISTORY

The 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment (Airborne) provides aviation support to U.S. Special Operations Forces. The capabilities of the 160th SOAR (A) have evolved since the early 1980s. Shortly after the aborted hostage rescue mission in Iran, Desert One, the Army formed a special aviation unit. The unit drew on the best aviators in the Army and immediately began an intensive training program in low-level, night operations. The unit became know as Task Force 160 because of the constant attachment and detachment of units to prepare for a wide variety of missions. Its focus on night operations resulted in the nickname, the "Night Stalkers." The unit was reorganized in 1990, designated the 160th SOAR (A), and assigned to the U.S. Army Special Operations Command.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					Operation Crossroads begins with UDT support, 1946	
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
	Independence Day					
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
JTF Bevel Edge deploys forces to Thailand, 1997			First U.S. forces leaflet drop aimed at troops over Korea, 1950			
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Operation Louise inserts forces into France, 1944					
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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	25	26	27	28	29	30